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L5 ANSWER 89 OF 97 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:128341 USPATFULL

TITLE:

Method and pharmaceutical composition for regulating

lipid concentration

NUMBER

INVENTOR(S):

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LINE COUNT:

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CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.

DETD . . . and those who are at risk of developing various acute ischemic syndromes including individuals with high blood pressure, diabetes, or hyperlipidemia, and individuals who smoke.

DETD . . . ischemic syndromes that may be treated by the method of the present invention include: angina pectoris, coronary artery disease (CAD), hypertension, cerebrovascular accidents, transient ischemic attacks, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic

hypoxic

DETD

lung disease, pulmonary hypertension, renal

hypertension, chronic renal disease, microvascular complications of diabetes, and vaso-occlusive complications of sickle cell anemia. An HMG-COA reductase inhibitor for use in the novel method may be

selected from atorvastatin, lovastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, fluvastatin, and rivastatin; preferably atorvastatin, lovastatin, or simvastatin; most preferably

atorvastatin, lovastatin, or simvastatin; most preferably atorvastatin. HMG-COA reductase inhibitors are known to function as antihypercholesterolemic agents. They reduce hepatic cholesterol biosynthesis by inhibiting the enzyme HMG-COA. . . the early,

rate-limiting step in the biosynthesis of cholesterol, the conversion

of

 \bigvee hydroxymethylglutarate to mevalonate. Known HMG-COA reductase inhibitors

include atorvastatin MEVACOR.RTM. (lovastatin), ZOCOR.RTM.
(simvastatin), PRAVACHOL.RTM. (pravastatin), LESCOL.RTM. (fluvastatin),
and rivastatin. ##STR1##

DETD Atorvastatin is disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,273,995. Related compounds are disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 4,681,893.

DETD The lipid modifying and antiatherosclerotic action of

2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sul

famate, atorvastatin, and the combination of both compounds was assessed in a rabbit model of atherosclerosis in which the combination of hypercholesterolemia. . .

DETD . . . cholesterol levels and administered the 0% C, 3% PNO, 3% CNO diet either alone or containing

N-(2,6-diisopropyl-phenyl)-2-(2-dodecyl-

2H-tetrazol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-acetamide at 10 mg/kg, atorvastatin at 5 mg/kg, or

N-(2,6-diisopropyl-phenyl)-2-(2-dodecyl-2H-tetrazol-5-yl)-2-phenylacetamide +atorvastatin at 10+5 mg/kg for the next 8 weeks.

DETD Relative to the untreated, cholesterol-fed control, plasma total cholesterol levels were unchanged by

2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-

tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate but reduced 43% and 67% with atorvastatin and 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)-phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]-sulfamate+atorvastatin, respectively. Associated with the changes in plasma total cholesterol were marked alterations in the plasma lipoprotein distribution.

2,6-Bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sul
 famate reduced % VLDL-cholesterol (VLDL-C) and increased %
 LDL-cholesterol (LDL-C); atorvastatin had limited effect; and
 upon combination treatment % VLDL-C and % LDL-C were reduced, and %
 HDL-cholesterol was increased.

DETD TABLE I

Lipoprotein Distribution Expressed as Percent of Total Plasma Cholesterol
VLDL LDL HDL

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Progression Control		
16	60	2.4
2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)-	00	2 1
2,0 Disti meenylechyl,	72	22
5	73	22
phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-		
methylethyl)phenyl]-		
acetyl]sulfamate (10 mg/kg)		
Atorvastatin (5 mg/kg)		
14	48	38
2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)-		
4	35	60
phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-		
methylethyl)phenyl]-		
acetyl]sulfamate +		
Atorvastatin (10 + 5 mg/kg	J)	

DETD . . . the thoracic aorta; however, the incidence of complex fibrous plaques within the iliac-femoral artery was reduced from 50% to 14%.

Atorvastatin reduced the CE enrichment of both vascular regions by 27% to 41% without changing the gross extent of thoracic lesions and incidence of fibrous plaques.

combination with 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate significantly reduced the CE enrichment of the iliac-femoral artery. Morphometric analysis of the iliac-femoral artery revealed that atorvastatin reduced the lesion size, while the combination of atorvastatin and 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate significantly decreased the monocyte-macrophage content of the lesion without changing lesion size. 2,6-Bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate alone had no effect on. . .

DETD Therefore, it is clear that a combination of N-(2,6-diisopropyl-phenyl)-

2-(2-dodecyl-2H-tetrazol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-acetamide and atorvastatin administered in a chow/fat diet results in a greater reduction in plasma apo B-containing lipoprotein than either alone and that a normalization of the plasma lipoprotein distribution

is

achieved. Atorvastatin not only blunts the cholesteryl ester enrichment of the vasculature but also decrease the lipid enrichment of a pre-existing atherosclerotic lesion. 2,6-Bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate+atorvastatin reduces the CE enrichment of pre-existing atherosclerotic lesions to the same extent as atorvastatin alone, but the atherosclerotic lesions are less complicated with respect

to their histologic character.

L5 ANSWER 90 OF 97 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER:

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TITLE:

Method and pharmaceutical composition for regulating

lipid concentration

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PATENT INFORMATION: US 6093719 20000725

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DETD . . . ischemic syndromes that may be treated by the method of the present invention include: angina pectoris, coronary artery disease (CAD), hypertension, cerebrovascular accidents, transient ischemic attacks, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic

ischemic attacks, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic

hypoxic

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lung disease, pulmonary hypertension, renal
       hypertension, chronic renal disease, microvascular complications
       of diabetes, and vaso-occlusive complications of sickle cell anemia.
DETD
       An HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor for use in the novel method may be
       selected from atorvastatin, lovastatin, simvastatin,
       pravastatin, fluvastatin, and rivastatin; preferably
       atorvastatin, lovastatin, or simvastatin; most preferably
       atorvastatin.
DETD
         . . the early, rate-limiting step in the biosynthesis of
       cholesterol, the conversion of hydroxymethylglutarate to mevalonate.
       Known HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors include atorvastatin
       MEVACOR.RTM. (lovastatin), ZOCOR.RTM. (simvastatin), PRAVACHOL.RTM.
       (pravastatin), LESCOL.RTM. (fluvastatin), and rivastatin. ##STR1##
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       The lipid modifying and antiatherosclerotic action of
DETD
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       famate, atorvastatin, and the combination of both compounds
       was assessed in a rabbit model of atherosclerosis in which the
       combination of hypercholesterolemia.
DETD
                cholesterol levels and administered the 0% C, 3% PNO, 3% CNO
       diet either alone or containing
N-(2,6-diisopropyl-phenyl)-2-(2-dodecyl-
       2H-tetrazol-5-yl)-2-phenyl-acetamide at 10 mg/kg, atorvastatin
       at 5 mg/kg, or N-(2,6-diiso-propyl-phenyl)-2-(2-dodecyl-2H-tetrazol-5-
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       8 weeks.
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DETD
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2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-
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       atorvastatin and 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)-phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-
       methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]-sulfamate+atorvastatin,
       respectively. Associated with the changes in plasma total cholesterol
       were marked alterations in the plasma lipoprotein distribution.
2,6-Bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sul
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       LDL-cholesterol (LDL-C); atorvastatin had limited effect; and
       upon combination treatment % VLDL-C and % LDL-C were reduced, and %
       HDL-cholesterol was increased.
DETD
                              of Total Plasma Cholesterol
                VLDL
                            LDL
                                   HDL
Progression Control
                                   24
                16
                            60
  2,6-bis(1-methylethyl) - 5 73 22
  phenyl [[2, 4, 6-tris(1-
  methylethyl)phenyl]-
  acetyl]sulfamate (10 mg/kg)
    Atorvastatin (5 mg/kg) 14 48 38
  2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)-4 35 60
  phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-
  methylethyl)phenyl]-
  acetyl]sulfamate +
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Atorvastatin (10 + 5 mg/kg)

DETD . . the thoracic aorta; however, the incidence of complex fibrous plaques within the iliac-femoral artery was reduced from 50% to 14%. Atorvastatin reduced the CE enrichment of both vascular regions by 27% to 41% without changing the gross extent of thoracic lesions and incidence of fibrous plaques.

2,6-Bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-

methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate+atorvastatin had no effect on the CE enrichment of the thoracic aorta and gross extent of thoracic aortic lesions; however, the. . . plaques was decreased to 17%. Comparison of the data relative to the time zero control, i.e., prior to drug administration, atorvastatin alone and in combination with 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate significantly reduced the CE enrichment of the iliac-femoral artery Morphometric analysis of the iliac-femoral artery revealed that atorvastatin reduced the lesion size, while the combination of atorvastatin and 2,6-bis(1-methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate significantly decreased the monocyte-macrophage content of the lesion without changing lesion size. 2,6-Bis(1methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate alone had no effect on.

Therefore, it is clear that a combination of

N-(2,6-diisopropyl-phenyl)-

2-(2-dodecyl-2H-tetrazol -5-yl)-2-phenyl-acetamide and atorvastatin administered in a chow/fat diet results in a greater reduction in plasma apo B-containing lipoprotein than either alone and that a normalization of the plasma lipoprotein distribution

is

achieved Atorvastatin not only blunts the cholesteryl ester enrichment of the vasculature but also decrease the lipid enrichment of a pre-existing atherosclerotic lesion. 2,6-Bis(1methylethyl)phenyl[[2,4,6-tris(1-methylethyl)-phenyl]acetyl]sulfamate+ atorvastatin reduces the CE enrichment of pre-existing atherosclerotic lesions to the same extent as atorvastatin alone, but the atherosclerotic lesions are less complicated with respect

to their histologic character.

ANSWER 91 OF 97 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER:

2000:34393 USPATFULL

TITLE:

Systemic inflammatory markers as diagnostic tools in the prevention of atherosclerotic diseases and as

tools

to aid in the selection of agents to be used for the prevention and treatment of atherosclerotic disease

INVENTOR(S):

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PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):

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PATENT INFORMATION: APPLICATION INFO.:

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CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.
DETD
         . . populations are casual or due to short-term inflammatory
       changes, or to interrelations with other risk factors, in particular
       smoking and hyperlipidemia.
DETD
       Lipid reducing agents include gemfibrozil, cholystyramine, colestipol,
       nicotinic acid, probucol lovastatin, fluvastatin, simvastatin,
       atorvastatin, pravastatin, cirivastatin.
       . . . logistic regression models accounting for the matching
DETD
       variables and controlling for randomized treatment assignment, body
mass
       index, diabetes, history of hypertension, and a parental
       history of coronary artery disease. Similar models were employed to
       adjust for measured baseline levels of total. . .
       . . . subsequently developed myocardial infarction were more likely
DETD
       than those who remained free of vascular disease to have a history of
       hypertension, hyperlipidemia, or a parental history of
       coronary artery disease. Similarly, those who subsequently developed
       stroke were more likely to be hypertensive. Due to the
       matching, age and smoking were similar in cases and controls.
DETD
                                            . 3.3 25 +/- 3.2 26 +/- 2.9
                                 (kg/m2*)
 History of high 9 13 17 10 7
  cholesterol (%)
 History of Hypertension 16 29 27 35 20
  Parental history of 10 13 17 11 8
  coronary artery disease
  (8)
*values represent.
      . . . relationship between C-reactive protein and myocardial
      infarction was not significantly altered in analyses which adjusted for
       body mass index, diabetes, hypertension, a family history of
       premature coronary artery disease, total cholesterol, HDL cholesterol,
       triglycerides, lipoprotein(a), tPA antigen, D-dimer, fibrinogen, or
      homocysteine.
DETD
                     . . . 2.9 0.01
  95% CI -- 1.1-4.7 1.0-4.4 1.4-5.9
 p -- 0.04 0.04 0.005
 Body mass
 index (kg/m.sup.2),
 diabetes,
 history of
   hypertension,
 and family
 history of
 premature
 CAD
 Adjusted RR 1.0 1.5 2.4 2.6 <0.001
 95% CI -- 0.9-2.5 1.5-4.0 1.6-4.4
DETD
            . not significantly altered in analysis which adjusted for body
      mass index, diabetes, a family history of premature coronary artery
      disease, hyperlipidemia, and a history of hypertension
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DETD *Matched for smoking and age, controlled for total and HDL cholesterol **Matched for smoking and age, controlled for history of hypertension hyperlipidemia, body mass index, diabetes, and a family history of premature CAD 95% CI = 95 percent confidence interval ANSWER 92 OF 97 USPATFULL ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:170629 USPATFULL TITLE: Arylthiazolidinedione derivatives INVENTOR(S): Sahoo, Soumya P., Old Bridge, NJ, United States Tolman, Richard L., Los Altos, CA, United States Han, Wei, West Chester, PA, United States Bergman, Jeffrey, Tenafly, NJ, United States Santini, Conrad, Warren, NJ, United States Lombardo, Victoria K., Belle Mead, NJ, United States Desai, Ranjit, Franklin Park, NJ, United States Boueres, Julia K., Franklin Park, NJ, United States Gratale, Dominick F., Edison, NJ, United States PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, NJ, United States (U.S. corporation) NUMBER DATE _______ US 6008237 19991228 PATENT INFORMATION: APPLICATION INFO.: US 1998-213542 19981217 (9) NUMBER DATE ______ US 1997-68271 PRIORITY INFORMATION: 19971219 (60) US 1998-105238 19981022 (60) DOCUMENT TYPE: Utility PRIMARY EXAMINER: Gerstl, Robert LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE: McGinnis, James L.; Rose, David L.; Yang, Mollie M. NUMBER OF CLAIMS: 27 EXEMPLARY CLAIM: LINE COUNT: 3470 CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT. . . . associated with increased and premature mortality due to an increased risk for microvascular and macrovascular diseases, including nephropathy, neuropathy, retinopathy, hypertension, stroke, and heart disease. Therefore, control of glucose homeostasis is a critically important approach for the treatment of diabetes. SUMM Hyperlipidemia is a condition which is characterized by an abnormal increase in serum lipids, such as cholesterol, triglycerides and phospholipids. These. . SUMM One form of hyperlipidemia is hypercholesterolemia, characterized by the existence of elevated LDL cholesterol levels. The initial treatment for hypercholesterolemia is often to modify. . . . the enzymes of the beta-oxidation cycle. Compounds of this SUMM group include but are not limited to the fibrate class of hyperlipidemic drugs, herbicides and phthalate plasticizers. Peroxisome proliferation is also triggered by dietary or physiological factors such as a high-fat diet. SUMM . . . dual agonists of the .alpha./.gamma. subtypes. These compounds are therefore useful in the treatment, control or prevention of diabetes, hyperglycemia, hyperlipidemia (including

hypercholesterolemia and hypertriglyceridemia), atherosclerosis, obesity, vascular restenosis, and other PPAR .alpha., .delta. and/or .gamma. mediated diseases, disorders and conditions.

SUMM

. . . in treating, controlling or preventing include, but are not limited to, (1) A diabetes mellitus, (2) hyperglycemia, (3) obesity,

(4)

hyperlipidemia, (5) hypertriglyceridemia, (6) hypercholesterolemia (including raising HDL levels), (7) atherosclerosis, (8) vascular restenosis, (9) irritable bowel syndrome, (10) pancreatitis, (11). . .

SUMM

. . . dual agonist is administered with a cholesterol biosynthesis inhibitor, particularly an HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor such as lovastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, fluvastatin, atorvastatin and rivastatin.

(e) cholesterol lowering agents such as (i) HMG-CoA reductase SUMM inhibitors

> (lovastatin, simvastatin and pravastatin, fluvastatin, atorvastatin, rivastatin and other statins), (ii) sequestrants (cholestyramine, colestipol and a dialkylaminoalkyl derivatives of a cross-linked dextran), (iii) nicotinyl alcohol, nicotinic. . .

ANSWER 93 OF 97 USPATFULL

ACCESSION NUMBER:

1999:166969 USPATFULL

TITLE:

Method of treating hyperlipidemia

INVENTOR(S):

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Liu, Yong-Ling, Buckingham, United Kingdom

Sennitt, Matthew V., Chipstead, United Kingdom

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S):

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(U.S. corporation)

NUMBER DATE ______

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PRIORITY INFORMATION:

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Russel, Jeffrey E.

LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:

NUMBER OF CLAIMS:

Conway, John D. Fish & Richardson

EXEMPLARY CLAIM:

23

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CAS INDEXING IS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PATENT.

. . . role of plasma lipids and lipoproteins in atherogenesis (Adult Treatment Panel II, Circulation 89:1333-1445 (1994); Havel, R. J., Clin.

Exp. Hypertens. 11:887-900 (1989)). Atherogenesis is the process by which lipids accumulate in the intimal lining of arteries leading to the formation. . . metabolism, coagulation, hyperinsulinism and glycation all seem to contribute significantly to the process (Bierman, E. L., Arterio. Throm. 12:647-656 (1992)). Hyperlipidemia's characteristics of raised plasma concentrations of triglyceride, raised low density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol concentrations, and low concentrations of high density. . . M, et al., N. Engl. J. Med. 334:374-381 (1996); and Hamsten, A., et al., N. Engl. J. Med. 313:1557-1563 (1985)). Hyperlipidemia in

clinical practice, defined by the upper 10 percent of the distribution of plasma lipid levels in a population, i.e.,. . . . cholesterol and triacylglycerides in the plasma have become widespread in clinical practice which permits the identification of patients with asymptomatic hyperlipidemia. Guidelines are available for diagnosis and monitoring responses to therapy. See Workshop Treatment of Hyperlipidemia, 1996-2 (Lakesmedelsverket, Uppsala, Sweden 1996). Lowering plasma lipid concentrations reduces the amount of atherogenic plaques on the intima of blood. . .

SUMM A number of disorders are associated with hyperlipidemia, such as uncontrolled diabetes mellitus (insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus and non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus) (Bianchi, R., et al.,

Diab.

Nutr. Metabl. 7:43-51. . . Principles of Internal Medicine, Ed. Braunwald, E., et al., 11th Edition, McGraw-Hill 1016-1024 (1988)). A number of drugs also produce hyperlipidemia, such as oral contraceptives, estrogens, glucocorticoids and antihypertensives. Dietary factors such as increased caloric intake (recent weight gain), consumption of foods high in saturated fats and cholesterol and alcohol intake contribute to the development of hyperlipidemia. Aside from these, primary hyperlipidemia include a family of genetic disorders associated with family histories of hyperlipidemia or xanthomas and pancreatitis.

The present invention relates to a method of treating hyperlipidemia in a patient (e.g., a mammal such as a human). The method includes the step of administering a therapeutically effective. . . e.g., administered intravenously, subcutaneously, or by implantation of a sustained release formulation. In one embodiment, the patient is suffering from hyperlipidemia (e.g., abnormally high levels of cholesterol, triacylglycerols, or glycerol) and/or is a diabetic (i.e., type-I or type-II diabetic).

SUMM . . . triglycerides, cholesterol, or glycerol, such as fibrates (e.g., bezafibrate, gemfibrozil, and clofibrate), HMG-COA reductase inhibitors (e.g., pravastatin, simvastatin, and fluorastatin, Atorvastatin, and Lovastatin), bile acid binding resins (e.g., cholestyramine and colestipol), nicotinic acid compounds (e.g., nicotinic acid and niceritrol), and fish oils. See Workshop Treatment of

Hyperlipidemia 1996-2 (Lakemedelsverket, Uppsala, Sweden, 1996).